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Help Keep J. Albert Moneybags off of the relief rolls! When you new or re-new your membership in ARRL, do it via PRC and we get a half a buck of your ill-gotten loot for the Club and it won't cost you any more. Make your check payable to the Palomar Radio Club; and send it, with your renewal card to the above address. $7.50 for each year newed or renewed. Send life membership dough directly to ARRL since they won't split it with us (CHEEP, CHEAP, CHEAP).

THE SEPTEMBER MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 1930, WEDNESDAY, THE 4th (OF SEPTEMBER - YOU EXPECTED SOMETHING ELSE, MAYBE?) IN GLENDALE FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN AT THE CORNER OF EAST VISTA WAY AND ANZA IN EVER-LOVELY VISTA. THE PROGRAM FOR THE EVENING WILL BE PRESENTED BY TED HUNTER, W6PJE. ADDITIONALLY, PAGES 3 & 4 OF THE NEWLY APPROVED CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS WILL BE PASSED OUT TO ALL YOU CARD-CARRYING CLUB MEMBERS WHO ARE SMART ENOUGH TO RECOGNIZE THE FACT.

The August Flea Mart was such a success that the one for September has been canceled. The next Flea Mart will be on the first Saturday in October to avoid conflict with Labor Day, football, and WA6SCV's hunting trip to Utah. Flea Marts will be held in October, December, and that grand old favorite, February, despite announced plans to the contrary. Anyway, PAY ATTENTION! No IMI no Flea Mart in September.

The August meeting of the PRC was a rousing success. The best and the biggest picnic to date. A grand group turned out, with folks from as far away as Fountain Valley - or was it Dallas? - (W6ABO) and San Diego (K6SQ and W6SO, among others). The picnic site was very good except for the linear arrangement of the benches, which sort of spread us out along the creek. WA6SCV won the Y & C freq. counter (and a committee is already studying possible charges on which to impeach - or impair - him). WA6SVN won the Atlas 180 and WA6AEZ the Swan FM-2X. Coax was won by WB6ZEQ (who didn't even show up) and by W6AP. Ladies' prizes were won by Mrs. Marygold, Mrs. Holzenberg, Mrs. Tiburski, and Mrs. Chambless. My usually reliable sources couldn't come up with the name of the fifth ladies' prize winner. Sorry 'bout that. It was good to see such PRC old timers as W6QP, K6SQ, W6YZV, W6LKC out for a change. The many others were too humorous to mention. Since no business meeting was conducted, the Golden Monkey Wrench was (fittingly enough) left in the all-too-deserving clutches of WA6SCV, the last winner.

If you'd like a PRC badge (so you can tell who in the ever-loving blue-eyed world you are), see El Secretario, W6ARN (AKA Gene Goss). Better yet, avoid this fearsome sight by using Ma Bell's facilities and calling it at 722-3208, but you'd better wait a week or so since he's absconded with the attendance records to Utah. Please, WA6HUG! Get your badge from K6SLA. Pretty Please!

As announced at the picnic, attendance tickets will be given for next year's picnic prizes to card-carrying PRC members only (and of course, only to those members who attend the PRC picnic, field day, Xmas party, or club meetings - one per attendance). If you want your attendance to get you a chance at next year's prizes, join the Club. Costs $1.50 to K6SLA. If you didn't read this, you'd better. If you have, don't bother.

(Re-instated by special request)

FCC Amateur Licensing Course. Prof. Whitley, K6PKC, will again conduct his FCC Amateur Licensing Course each Monday, starting Sept. 16th, from 1845 to 2145 in Room E-9, Mira Costa College. Registration is already underway and will continue through the first meeting of the course. The fee is $10 unless you're young enough or old enough to get in free. Whit's record is excellent as indicated by the high number of successful grads who managed to achieve an FCC Amateur License.

Help prevent another po$tal rate increa$e. Our Club Trea$urer, Jim Church, K6$LA, is in dire need of $omeone's no-longer-needed brief ca$e or attache ca$e. He claim$ he can't hack it with leftover MAR$ file folder$; and need$ $omething to carry home your dough (he'$ laughing all the way to the bank) and a$$orted record$ he claim$ to maintain for the Club. If he ha$ to buy hi$ own, he'll be forced to a$k for a pay rai$e and thereby cau$e a po$tal rate increa$e. $o, if you have $uch an item you can afford to donate to the Club, we'll give you time off for good behavior. Thank$.

The 450 Repeater is perking along in great shape at the QTH of K6EJO, who has gotten the whole thing together with the squelch and COR operating at .3mV; and 1 uV for 20 db of quieting. K6HAV and W6NLO have managed to work the machine while it's at Gene's. A duplexer is on order; and we have lucked into a very fine commercial antenna donated to us by W6SO, Hoppy. The input frequency of the PRC 450 repeater is 444.425 MHZ, with the output at 449.425 MHZ (we've had to move up 125 KHZ from our originally assigned input to make everyone happy and have a 5 MHZ separation). We anticipate that it will be six weeks before we have the duplexer and are ready to go on the mountain. We are also applying for 220 MHZ frequencies.

NEW REPEATER SUBSCRIBERS: Dennis Cobbe, ZL1ND Escondido, Jerry Hauser, WB6FMTSan Marcos, John Martin, W6SE Encinitas, Clint Pullen, WB6SLY Vista, Art Sullivan, W6PIA San Diego, Hal Surrett, WB6TDA Escondido, Al Zoller, W6OTE Poway, and W6IAB Camp Pendleton. Welcome and thanks for joining us.

NEW PRC MEMBERS ARE: K6SQ Lou Cartwright (a new old member), K6WK Zane Sprague (word traveler, raconteur, and former editor of the Ventura ARC Newsletter), W6SO Hoppy Hopkins, WA6KAQ Dave Olson, W6QJW Howard Shepherd, WN6DHM Gary Weseman, and K6EJO Gene Marygold (self employed because he likes to sleep with the boss's wife).

New Scope Subscribers (in addition to those poor, unsuspecting repeater subscribers who get the thing like it or not) are: Keith Bennett WA6FAV, Lou Cartwright K6SQ, Art Hess, Zane Sprague K6WK, and Gary Weseman WN6DHM. W6BLL resubscribed, thereby begging off as the piece de resistance at the traditional un-subscriber's tar and feathering party (bring your own feathers, we furnish the tar!).

PRC is now close on to 110 members (don't know exactly since the hasty departure to Idaho of - UGH - W6ARN with the Club records). The repeater has over 120 subscribers with 59 reciprocal operators from SANDRA (there may be a roster lurking herein if the bird of happiness flys in our direction). The Scope mailing list is now 197 strong (only the strong can stomache the thing) with 187 paid.

ARRL BULLETINS OF INTEREST?

Hr Official Bulletin Nr 496 from ARRL Headquarters, Newington, Ct.
August 15, 1974 to all radio amateurs BT

FCC has proposed a new schedule of fees for nearly all radio services, to comply with a recent ruling by the Supreme Court. The principal criterion laid down by the Court is the value of the recipient, For amateurs, the basic fee would be six dollars for a five-year license, as opposed to nine dollars at present and ten dollars in the 1972 proposal which has never become effective. Modifications without renewal are proposed at five dollars, against four now and five in the 1972 list. Special call sign fees would remain at twenty-five dollars. Novice license, races authorizations and military recreation stations would continue to be free of charge. Comments are due by September 20 and reply comments by October 4, making reference to Docket 19658. The procedural requirement of an original and fourteen copies applies as usual. AR

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ARRL BULLETINS (PROBABLY CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)
Hr Special W1AW Bulletin Nr 974 from ARRL Headquarters, Newington, Ct.
August 15, 1974 To all radio amateurs BT
The 1974-75 ARRL net directory, listing over 500 public service nets registered by June 1, is now available. Once again this year the directory has been produced in booklet form, similar to the format of the Repeater Directory. To receive your copy by first class mail please send an addressed envelope six and a half by nine and a half inches or larger with 30 cents U.S. postage to ARRL, 225 Main Street, Newington, Connecticut 06111. AR

FOR SALE (CHEAP, CHEEP, CHEEP):
Two 4CX1000A's - new, $75 each. Two 4CX1500A's, new, $75 each. 2M and 450 MHZ FM Strips, G.E. and Motorola. Miscellaneous Motorola base stations. Contact Merit Arnold, W6NLO, on W6NWG.

Model 19 RTTY with ST-3 convertor and AK-1 AFSK, will haggle over price. Call WA6HQM, Dave Copley, at 753-2605.

Heath Sixer w/DC supply, any reasonable price. Wanted to buy Heath monitor scope, any reasonable price (this bird is really reasonable). Call W6HZJ, reasonable - Russ Krebs at 728-8925.

Singermetric panalyzor Model SB-12B w/power supply and constant voltage transformer, book and all cables, $200. Call Ralph Crossman, K6HAV, at 727-1358.

HERE 'N THERE (PERCHANCE)
Listening to the Repeater as a control station has WA6VYD more than grinding his teeth. Burr's now grinding lenses for eye glasses in the only such establishment in North County. Anyway, keeps the young fellow off of the streets on these hot summer nights.

W6JSL & Co. completed their far-out tripping and came back to Vista to clutter up W6NWG again. Les, his XYL Ilean, and her father John, finished their tour of the Northwest and visit to WB6IFH/7 in Maantana early in the month (in time for the picnic, WORSE LUCK!); and have been boring everyone within sight and sound with the reports of the trip.

As surmised in our previous fabulous issue, W6ARN and XYL Elsie did survive the wedding of their daughter. They managed to make the picnic but then hied themselves off to two weeks of solitude some place in Idaho.

As reported (accurately, too,) in last month's Scope, W6AAM hauled himself and XYL Ann and family to Dallas (well, more accurately, Plano), Texas. He has now been followed by W6ABO, who pulled up stakes on the 20th; and was last heard mobile on W6NWG around Riverside as he too headed for the Dallas area. The unholy W6A-- trio of W6AAM, W6ABO and W6ARN is broken up at last! The migration to Dallas plus the eviction to Idaho of Gene-I-wish-you'd-get-a-"W"-call-Goss leaves the North County Night Owls (we don't give a hoot) consisting of W6JSL (Ugh!) and K6HAV, who have decided to forego the dubious pleasure.

K6EJO and K6HAV made a successful trip to the mountain to de-grunge the repeater and recover K6ROR's thermos. Gene drove, since his knuckles were already white enough from his last two trips with Ralph and Phil.

WB6IPJ's doing nicely, thank you, but is more surly than usual over not winning everything at the picnic (he didn't attend) with his one ticket.

W6VTV is recovering from successful surgery. Bill's an old-time PRC member; and planned to attend the picnic, but the surgery prevented it. Sure would like to have met you, Bill.

W6SE (likewise and old-timer in PRC) is sporting a new IC-230; and hailing the repeater ("Hello, Hello. This is W6SE.") on his way to and from work. John says he's probably going to retire this winter.

WB6HMY couldn't hold off any longer; and is now mobile on 2M as well as on HF. Works good, doesn't it, Joe!

HERE 'N THERE (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 NO DOUBT)
Had a bad week or two when we thought that K6$LA had departed with the treasury. Jim and family took two weeks off to Northern California in the Fort Bragg area.

WA6HQM is changing jobs within his company, but fortunately still has access to the giant computer in which he keeps our mailing list and repeater roster, thank heavens - and thank you, Dave!

W6IPP finally got the VHF wattmeter he won at last year's picnic. Going to get that VRC-37 fired up at long last, Jim?

WA6NNC is about to get off of the "gravy yard" shift and may even get to see his XYL, Nancy, now. (Don't know how she feels about that!)

Nice to see W6SO and his XYL Pat at the picnic. Hoppy didn't grouch too much about not winning it all with his one attendance ticket.

The San Diego DX Club uses 147.42 for informal exchange of hot DX information. No net; just announce your DX information.

Perhaps some of you noted the article in the newspaper several weeks back about the grim discovery W6YZV, Mabel, made while walking through the Fields' family orchard. If not, ask Mabel.

It must have finally happened to K6ROR! Pheel was recently heard questioning a local Ham about ski trips-- in mid-August!

K6EJO has been giving some rather strengthy testimonials concerning a certain brand of contact cement. Seems Gene got the wrong kind for gluing up the paneling he's installing in the nice addition wife-wife is encouraging him to complete; and glued his hands to the wall! Heard of folks coming un-glued, but this seems to be putting the glove on the other hand or something.

We've had a couple of very unfortunate recent occasions of outright, intentional obscenities on the Repeater. As you know, there are kooks in every walk of life. This particular type is seeking attention; and when you make any response whatsoever to his harassment or obscenity, you give him what he is looking for. Bite your tongue or turn off your rig; but do not IMI not respond to him in any way. Let the control station do his job of shutting the Repeater down, but shut up! Too bad the weirdo-few have to spoil it for the rest of us, but they are always around.

Most of you know that our first repeater and duplexer were stolen from us because we were too loose-lipped about its location. We view with suspicion any attempt to ascertain its location on Mt. Palomar. Any questions as to location should be answered by: "It's on Mt. Palomar", and nothing more.

You too may have had the annoying experience of calling a particular station only to be called by a third station - without sufficient time elapsing for the called station to respond. I have; and it always irks me - even if I do know, and like, the quick-on-the-trigger bird. A few thoughts of the other person, and the observation of common courtesy makes for a better repeater for all 180 of us.

WA6CSI puts in a full-quieting signal from his lair in the Santa Margarita Mountains now that he's gotten his antenna up in the air. Keith had to wait for the swallows to leave before he could do it though, as it meant he had to destroy some of their nests to get the pipe support against the side of the building.

Glad we got a chance to meet Sandy, WB6ECX, at the picnic - along with a whole flock of other folks.

Received too late to calcify:
For sale: G.E. test set for all Prog Line gear, $50. Sierra wattmeter w/slugs. Call Art Lynch K5KHG at 746-5511 DWH.

Wanted: Triplet 3423 tube tester in any condition as long as "plate switch" is o.k. Call K6ROR, Phil Schutze, at 724-0098.

Wanted: Heath SB-220. Call Frank Cassen, W6PZU, at 728-8003.

(Noted with quiet pride)